user crossing the plaza is required to pay for the length being tolled. Due to lack of access controlled section and considering large number of entries and exits from the highways, it is not practically possible to collect fee under Closed System wherein the fee is charged for the distance travelled. However, there are relaxations for frequent and local users.

Statement

Annual Collection of user fee (toll)

Sl. No.	Name of user fee (toll) Collection centres	Amount of user fee Collection (year wise) (Rs. in Crore) June'02-Mar'03	Apr'03-Mar'04	Apr'04-Feb'05.
1.	Karnal	38.92	49.23	48.13
2.	Shambu	14.45	17.31	17.35
3.	Doraha	14.07	23.02	23.22

Construction work on NH-8

1835. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the fact that Express Highway construction work on NH-8 is very slow and has caused loss of hundreds of lives in road accident;

(b) the number of deaths in road accident in between Rao Tularam Marg to Rajiv Chowk during last two years; and

(c) the precautions that have been taken by Government in this regard and to finish the work early?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) and (c) The slight delay in the project is due to land acquisition involved at three locations. All out efforts are being made to get the required land transferred. Progress of work is expected to improve after the acquisition of land. Adequate safety measures have been provided for protection of traffic. Concessionaire is being also vigorously pursued to complete the stretch where the fronts are already available.

(b) No such records has been kept with the department about the accidents which details are with the State Government agencies, but all

possible measures are taken to minimize the accidents such as (i) Adequate barricading at construction sites has been provided. (ii) Proper safety signages have been provided in the project road. (iii) Effective road safety management has been developed and implemented. (iv) Adequate reflectivity as well as proper lighting has been provided.

Road constructed under Golden Quadrilateral Scheme

†1836. SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ: Will the Minister of SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the road targeted to be constructed in terms of kilometers under Golden Quadrilateral scheme during this year;

(b) the areas and the States where this road would be constructed alongwith the details thereof, State-wise; and

(c) the total amount likely to be spent on this construction?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) and (b) The target for road to be constructed, State-wise, under Golden Quadrilateral scheme during the year 2004-2005 is given in the Statement (*See* below).

(c) An amount of approximately Rs. 5300.00 crore is likely to be spent on this construction during the year 2004-05.

Statement

State wise details (GQ) of targets for 2004-05

State	Targets (Length in km) 2004-05
Andhra Pradesh	511.80
Rajasthan	235.66
Gujarat	135.00
Karnataka	295.68
Tamil Nadu	192.40
West Bengal	275.17
Orissa	177.75
Maharashtra	170.50
Uttar Pradesh	195.48
Bihar	49.00
Jharkhand	78.75
TOTAL:	2317.19

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.